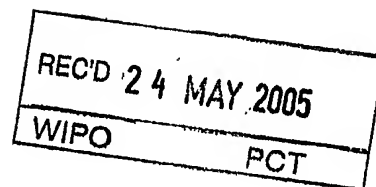



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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY
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International application No.
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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **language**, this report is based on:

- ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed
- ☐ a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:
- ☐ international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b))
- ☐ publication of the international application (Rule 12.4(a))
- ☐ international preliminary examination (Rules 55.2(a) and/or 55.3(a))

2. With regard to the **elements** of the international application, this report is based on (*replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report*):

- ☒ the international application as originally filed/furnished
- ☒ the description:
- pages 1-12 _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages * _____ received by this Authority on _____
- pages * _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☒ the claims:
- pages 2 _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages * _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
- pages * 1 _____ received by this Authority on 06.Apr.2005(06.04.2005)
- pages * _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☐ the drawings:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages * _____ received by this Authority on _____
- pages * _____ received by this Authority on _____

☐ a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) - see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.

3. ☒ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☒ the claims, Nos. 2 _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
- ☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____

4. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, Nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
- ☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____

* If item 4 applies, some or all of those sheets may be marked "superseded."

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International application No.
PCT/CN2004/000803**Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement****1. Statement:**

Novelty (N)	Claims 1-11	YES
	Claims	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 4-11	YES
	Claims 1-3	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-11	YES
	Claims	NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

1).The application claims a cream that contains interferon liposome.

2).The closest document in the international search report is as follows:

D1: US5853755A(PHARMADERM LABORATORIES LTD.)

D1 disclosed a dermal formulation containing interferon liposome such as cream(for example. see the column 7, lines 4-10),wherein the membrane material was composed of phospholipid and the like. The amounts of the active ingredient between claim 1and D1 are different, but on the basis of D1, it is obvious for the skilled person in the art to obtain the claims 1-3 with the aid of knowledge in the art. Therefore, claims 1-3 meet the requirement of Art.33(2), but they lack the inventive step of Art.33(3.)

3).D1 gave the instruction that interferon could be formulated into liposome for dermal use and some embodiments, but it didn't give the same embodiments as claims 4-11 or the suggestion of them, and claims 4-11 therefore meet the requirement of novelty of Art.33(2) and that of inventive step of Art.33(3).

4).Claims 1-11 can be easily carried out in the pharmaceutical industry, thus they meet the requirement of in industrial applicability of Art.33(4).